Application No. Applicant(s) 10/615,495 KAWASE, TOMOMI Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Yewebdar T. Tadesse 1734 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All daims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to 10/04/2005. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 12,13,24,25 and 33-38. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🛛 All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) Thereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _ (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 11212005. 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 11/14/2005 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9. Other _____.

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Drawings

1. The examiner accepts the drawings filed on 07/08/2003.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gregory Schively on 11/21/2005.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

In claim 12, line 3; insert the word --at-- between the words "disposed" and "a".

In claim 12, line 6; insert the word --at-- between the words "disposed" and "a".

In claim 12, line 10; insert the word --at-- between the words "disposed" and "a".

In claim 12, line 15; replace the word [than] with the word --from--.

In claim 12, line 16; replace the word [than] with the word --from--.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 12-13, 24-25 and 33-38 are allowed.

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5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Schembri et al discloses a liquid jetting apparatus having a plurality of inkjet heads located at different angle, but the heads are aligned or oriented at the same distance from the center of rotation of the substrate (aligned with the same concentric rings 15, see column 14, lines 23-27 and Fig 1A). With respect to claims 12-13 and 33-35, prior art of record does not disclose or suggest a liquid jetting apparatus comprising, among others, first, second and third droplet jet heads, having first, second and third nozzle trains respectively positioned at first, second and third angular orientations relative to the radial direction of the substrate respectively, disposed at first, second and third distances respectively from a center of rotation of the substrate; wherein the first angular orientation is different from the second angular orientation and the third angular orientation is different from the second angular orientation. As to claims 24-25 and 36-38, prior art of record does not disclose or suggest a liquid jetting apparatus comprising, among others, first, second and third droplet jet heads, positioned at first, second and third angular orientations relative to the radial direction of the substrate respectively, wherein the first, second and third angular orientations are varied in accordance with a distance from a center of rotation of the substrate.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yewebdar T. Tadesse whose telephone number is (571) 272-1238. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4: 30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris Fiorilla can be reached on (571) 272-1187. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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